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Dear Musicians and Performers,

We thank you for your interest in performing at events produced by Howard County Recreation and Parks. All professional entertainers and bands interested in being considered for bookings with the department should **complete our submission form** and send it via USPS or EMAIL to the contact on the form. Please follow all instructions. Incomplete submissions will not be considered for booking.

Howard County Recreation and Parks is a non-profit entity and a division of Howard County Government. Most of our events feature a 1.5 hour performance and we provide our own sound engineer/equipment. If selected, you would be required to sign our standard county contract that is approved by our legal department. No riders are permitted. All submissions will be considered by the summer concerts, 4th of July, and the Wine in the Woods Committees, as well as other programs that might have the need of an entertainer.

Please understand that we cannot guarantee bookings and must keep our events fresh by rotating through a variety of bands/performers for our events. Therefore, we seldom book the same entertainers from one season to the next, unless it involves a niche activity. Selection is based on several factors, including but not limited to, our budget, logistics, availability, diversity, musical genre, quality, and professionalism. We have limited dates, times, and locations, and apologize for not being able to book all of the talented bands and entertainers. Please consider your submission form and supplemental materials your audition. We will evaluate your group based on what you send.

It is advised that submissions be made **between November 1 and January 31.** If selected, we will contact you no later than February 28. All submissions will be kept in our database and will be reviewed each year. You can download a PDF version of the form or complete it online via our website www.howardcountymd.gov/performers.htm

Thank You,

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